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section shall not apply to sales by wholesale dealers or manufacturing chemists to retail dealers, or to a general merchant who sells Paris green, London purple, or other arsenical poisons, in unbroken packages containing not less than one-quarter of a pound, for the sole purpose of destroying potato bugs or other insects upon plants, vines or trees, except that he shall record each sale and label each package sold as above provided.''

**Births and Deaths—Reporting and Recording of. (Chap. 280, Act Mar. 21, 1912.)**

SECTION 1. Physicians and midwives shall, within 48 hours after the birth of every child in cases of which they were in charge, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which the birth occurred a notice stating the date and place of the birth, giving the street number, if any, the number of the ward in a city, and the family name. Failure to mail or deliver the said notice shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$25 for each offense. The notice required by this section need not be given if the notice required by the following section is given within 48 hours after the birth occurs.

SEC. 2. Physicians and midwives shall make and keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which they were in charge and shall, within 15 days after the birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which the birth occurred a report of the birth, stating the date and place, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, and the names, ages, places of birth, occupations, and residence of the parents, giving the street number, if there be any, and the number of the ward in a city, the maiden name of the mother, and whether or not the physician or midwife signing the birth return personally attended the birth. If the child is illegitimate, the name and other facts relating to the father shall not be stated except at the request in writing of both the father and mother filed with the return. The record to be kept by the physician or midwife, as above provided, shall also contain the facts hereby required to be reported to the city or town clerk. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be 25 cents for every birth so reported, which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk stating that the said birth has been properly reported to him. The report required to be made by this section is in addition to the report required to be made by the preceding section, and as above provided, if made within 48 hours of the birth, the report required by the preceding section shall not be required. A physician or midwife who neglects to make and keep the record hereby required, or who neglects to report in the manner specified above, each birth within 15 days thereafter, shall for each offense forfeit a sum not exceeding \$25. The city or town clerk or registrar shall file daily with the local board of health a list of all births reported to him, giving the following facts: Date of birth, sex, color, family name, residence, ward, physician or midwife.

SEC. 3. Section 3 of chapter 29 of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter 93 of the acts of the year 1910, is hereby repealed.

**Hypnotic Drugs—Enforcement of Laws Relative to. (Chap. 283, Act Mar. 21, 1912.)**

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 372 of the acts of the year 1911 is hereby amended by striking out the words "or those who are entitled by law to have possession of any of the above-mentioned articles," in the twelfth, thirteenth, and fourteenth lines, and inserting in place thereof the words "or a common carrier or porter when transporting any drug mentioned herein between parties hereinbefore mentioned," so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. If a person makes complaint under oath to a police, district, or municipal court, or to a trial justice or justice of the peace authorized to issue warrants in criminal cases, that he has reason to believe that opium, morphine, heroin, codeine,